

Brentwood Borough Council POLITICAL BALANCE – 18 May 2016

The Political Balance of the Council is:

POLITICAL GROUP	NO. OF MEMBERS	%
CONSERVATIVE	24 =	64.864
LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	10 =	27.027
LABOUR	2 =	5.405
NON- ALIGNED	1 =	2.702
TOTALS	37	100

POLITICAL GROUP	NO. OF MEMBERS	NO. OF SEATS ON ORDINARY COMMITTEES
CONSERVATIVE	24	43 (42.810)
LIBERAL DEMOCRATS	10	18 (17.837)
LABOUR	2	3 (3.567)
NON- ALIGNED	1	2 (1.783)
		66

PROPOSAL:

	A & SC* (9)	C, H & LC** (9)	DAC*** (9)	E&HMC + (9)	P & LC++ (12)	P, F&R# (9)	SAC~ (9)	TOTAL 66
CON	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	43
LIB DEM	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	18
LAB	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	3
NON- AL.	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
	9	9	9	9	12	9	9	66

*A & SC denotes Audit and Scrutiny Committee

**C, H & LC denotes Community, Health and Leisure Committee

*** DAC denotes Dismissal Appeals Committee (*Only meets on demand*)

+ E & HMC denotes Environment & Housing Management Committee

++ P & LC denotes Planning and Licensing Committee

P, F&R denotes Policy, Finance & Resources Committee

~ SAC denotes Staff Appointments Committee (*Only meets on demand*)

Section 15 (5) principles

Section 15 (5) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 states:-

'The principles mentioned in subsection (4) above, in relation to the seats on any body which fall to be filled by appointments made by any relevant authority or committee of a relevant authority, are –

- (a) that not all the seats on the body are allocated to the same political group;
- (b) that the majority of the seats on the body is allocated to a particular political group if the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
- (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary committees of a relevant authority which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all seats on the ordinary committees of that authority as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority; and
- (d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of the seats on the body which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority.'

Ordinary Committees do not include sub-committees or advisory committees or advisory sub-committees.